New Members:

Mrs. Bernice H. Hamilton P.O. Box 686 Elkins, West Virginia 26241

Mrs. Janice Martin 2428 N.E. 13th St. Ft. auderdale, Fla. 33304

58.32	Dec. Bal.	Expenses	7 60
4.00	Donation - (J. Martin-2,00)	Postage	3.50 .45
76.00	(B.Wolf-2.00)	Envelopes Stencils	1.80
36.00 98.32	Dues	Membership Cards	
	Expenses	Check #7	57
	Jan. 1973 Bal.	Check #8. ANA Dues 1973	4.00
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IMPORTANT - Your 1973 Love Token Society Dues are now payable. The white dues card expires December 31, 1972. The new card for 1973 is green. Dues are still \$3.00. I would like to make up a new membership list, so try to send in your check or money order promptly to Helen Moore, 11755 101st St. North, Largo, Fla. 33540.

Bob Mitchell is now a Life Member of ANA #1087 and of CWT #5. Congratulations. Bob is also Vice President of the Coin Club on the Base, having held every office at least once.

Maurice Gould was chairman of the California Numismatic Education Seminar held at Kellog West the end of September. He was recent winne of the Numismatics Guild contest for "The Best Syndicated Coin Column. (This as you probably know, is his "Coin Roundup.")

Ruth Hammell and her husband are directing the Youngstown Ohio coin and stamp show on March 31, April 1, 1973. Also included are antiques, artiques and collectibles - "The Big one."

Kit #4 will probably be sent out the beginning of February. We have quite a bit of material in it. All of it was sent in by members.

The application blank sent to you carlier was not for yourself. I have yours. It was to sign up a new member if possible. Every new member receives all the Kits we have assembled.

Sincercly,

Helen E. Moore Sceretary

"HOW I GOT STARTED COLLECTING

LOVE TOKENS"

"Six years ago my husband gave no about twenty Love Tokens as a birthday gift, among them was his Love Token to me, a 1943 dime, my birthyear and the reverse has my nickname 'Chub' engraved on it in script. The collection has grown enough that I can make a presentable exhibit." - Betty Wolf

"I was a dealer. Accumulation grew from no outlet. Betty Wolf bought some. Became intrigued with them myself. My forte is enamels and multiple jewelry. Never see an exceptional piece now. Do have a large collection of monograms, some seenes to trade for something I like." - Paul Carter

WANT ADS - JANUARY 1973

WANTED - Older enameled coins, all kinds. Crown sizes Love Tokens. Box Talors, coin scales, or unusual items. Please quote or will trade. C. Shure, P.O. Box 54, Newton Corner, Ma. 02159

WANTED - Love . Tokens quarter size or larger. Rudy Brill, Corunna, Ont. Canada.

WANTED - For my collection: All scenic engraved Love Tokens. Will buy or have other Love Tokens to trade, initialed, names, etc. Write: Robert Mitchell, 2015 Delancy Ave., Orlando, Fla. 32806.

W.NTED - Type I gold dollar Love Token. Wo uld prefer initials "C" or "CS" or "CPS" or "S". - Carmen Stover, P.O. Box 10731, St. Petersburg, Fla. 33733.

WANTED - Clasped Token with name MARIE engraved on it, will trade secnic dime token. Please write and describe. Paul White, 20 Oregon Rd., Southboro, Mass. 01772.

February 1, 1973

Dear Member:

I'm disappointed. I had hoped to include with this Love Letter a list of paid up members. We had 48 in 1972 - now we have a now one in 1973. But we actually have 25 persons who have sent in \$3.00 for their 1973 dues. It is not that we are in a bind financially. With the post Christmas bills and income tax, Love Token dues are pretty small potatoes. But a renewal of membership shows your approval of what has been done.

New member:

Mrs. Hilda Evans 1307 Ravinia Road

W. Lafayette, Ind. 47906

Change of address:

Robert A. Hiett P.O. Box 38

Monmouth, ill. 61462

Mark Goldman 1479 E. 34th St. Brooklyn. N.Y. 11234

Financial Report

87.90 Jan. Bal

36.00 Dues

2.00 Donation-Goldman

125.90 Bonation - 6.73 Check #9 \$119.17 Feb. Bal. Expenses
.43 Envelopes
2.76 Postage
3.54 Stamps
6.73 Check #9

Sincerely,

Islan E. Moore Helen E. Moore

Secretary



My apologies if I was abrupt about dues payments. So far 58 persons have joined the Love Token Society. One member has resigned, but there are still 14 persons who do not have the new green membership card. As of April 1 if dues are not paid, you will not receive the April Love Letter or Kit #4 which is being prepared.

Here is our financial report:

\$119.17 Feb. Balance
10.00 Donations - \$1. Finnell
2. Albright
\$7. Lapp

 Check #10

 Stamps
 1.92

 Postage
 3.84

 Envelopes
 .43

 \$6.19

\$54.00 Dues \$183.17 6.19 Check #10 \$176.98 March Balance

Change of Address:
John R. Comer
225 W. Clark St.,
Freeport, Ill. 61032

Resigned: George Wyatt
Skylark Lane
Lunenberg, Mass. 01462

New Members:

W.H.Zimmerman 10128 Springwood Drive St.Louis, Missouri 63124

Roger J. Sullivan 3161 Hawthorne St., San Diego, Calif. 92104

Don E. Knapp 1804 Willow Circle Colorado Springs, Colo. 80906

David Edwards
Box 3402
Omaha, Neb. 68103

Tom L. Alexander
431 Orchard Drive,
Dayton, Ohio 45419

Clayton J. Hagemann R.D.#2, Box 59
Plano, Ill 60545

James Moses 1629 Russell, Berkeley, Calif. 94703

Sam H. Bettis 805 Brynewood Park Lane Chattanooga, Tenn. 37415

D. Roy Dillon . 832 Marioh Pike C. G. Irenton, Ohio 45633

Richard J. Murray R & A Gift Shop 3853 Kecoughtan Rd., Hampton, Va. 23369

Most of the new members wrote in as a result of the article in the February 10 Coin World. We appreciate their help and will keep them informed of our activities.

Sincerely,

#2 - March 1,1973 Love Letter #11

WANTED - Valentine and Christmas type Love Tokens. Also initials "A", "K", "J", "P" or names "JOE", "PAT", "ARLENE", "WALTER", "LOUISE". Price and describe. Arlene Kaiser, 30 Cherry St., Lordship, Stratford, Conn. 06497.

WANTED - for my type set: Bust quarter, Bust dollar, any gold pieces. Describe and price. John Albright, 2348 Ponce deLeon Blvd, Coral Gables, Florida, 33134

WANTED - Any Love Token with "JANE" on it. Price and describe. Mrs. G. G. Finell, P.O.Box 6063C, Orlando, Florida 32803.

WANTED: - Cut out seated Lib. Dime. Three to four initials - Love Token. Must be looped for earring. J. H. Lowry, 1832 N. 77th Avenue, Elmwood Park, Ill. 60635

WANTED: Ten Cent size tokens with initials, "M.G.", "J.G.", "M.J.G." or "J.Y.G." Also "D.F." and ".J.F." Write first, Maurice M. Gould, Box 1500, Tustin Ca.92680.

WANTED: Coins with "C", "W", "CEW" or "CW". Describe and price Cyndi Wendt, 5935 Lyndale Ave., N., Minneapolis, Minn. 55430

WANTED - Gold and silver love tokens. Please price and send registered insured mail, or make pencil rubbings and describe. Bill Zimmerman, 1590 Page Industrial Blvd, St.Louis, Mo. 63122.

WANTED: Enameled coins for sale or trade. Charles M. Shure, P.O.Box 54, Newton Center, Mass. 02159

WANTED: - Tokens in copper or gold. Also silver 25 cents or larger. R. Brill, Corunna, Ont. Non Igo.

WANTED - Tokens with "R", "A", "AM", "RM", "M", "ANNE" OR "RA" OR "AB". R. J. Murray, 3853 Keoughton Rd., Hampton, Va. 23369.

FOR SALE - Dime sized tokens, various initials, VF or better. \$2.75. Minimum order 5. Rudy Brill, Corunna, Ont.

\$189.52 April Bal. 6.00 Dues		Xeroxing Postage		1.76
3.00 Donations	(Whitnah - 2.00)	Mimeo paper		2.86
	(Knapp - 1.00)	Postage .	. ()	4.96
198.52		Postage		5.20
16.73 Check #13		Envelopes		.64
\$181.79 May Bal.		Stamps		.96
•		•		\$16.73

Enclosed is the new membership list. This is for MEMBERS ONLY!

Current membership is 58 paid-up members. A total of 66 joined, 1 resigned, 7 were dropped from non-payment of 1973 dues (and 5 of those were charter members!) I wrote personal letters to all 7 and 2 sent payment - from the others I had no word.

PAUL CARTER is sponsoring a contest for LTS members for the best article on "What Should Be Considered Love Tokens and Included in Love Token Collections."

- 1. Awards (like for a three legged race)
- 2. Enamelled coins.
- 3. Friendship
- 4. Good luck
- 5. Lockets made from coins no engraving
- 6. Foreign coins.

Winners will be judged on logic and originality of thought.

Prizes are:

- (1) a choice of two different seascapes (plus another L.T. Gift from P.C.) Total of 2 L.T.'s
- (2) Two dimes each monogramed.
- (3) One monogramed dime or the seascape the first prize winner refuses.

Send your article to Helen Moore, who is one of the judges along with Maurice Gould and Dr. Warren Lapp.

Deadline is June 20th.

So out of 58 paid up members - 54 are eligible (donor and judges are disqualified) and there will be three winners! How does that grab you?

JOE LOWRY sent a clipping of a police auction in Toledo, Ohio which included 400 Love Tokens - makes you drool, doesn't it?

THE CONSTITUTION has been adopted! We needed a 2/3 vote and we got it and more. Thanks for your confidence and support.

MARGERY HANNAH gave the LTS a plug in the Virginia Peninsula Coin Club monthly bulletin for April. She is secretary of the club.

BOB MITCHELL exhibited his Love Tokens in the recent Orlando show and took first prize. And that's the first time he displayed ANYTHING. He received a nice wooden trophy with a Morgan Dollar mounted in it. Keep up the good work, Bob!

THELMA CARTER'S most precious love token is a good sovereign with "Thelma T.L.C. 1970 Hoyt". Her husband had it made for her after he had back surgery and received her "tender loving care" for three months.

DON KNAPP of Colorado Springs is a retired jeweler - a LTS member. If you have a modern name like Barbara, Don will engrave a token for you. It will be initialed or dated or both and is not to be confused with old tokens.

SAM BETTIS would like help in identifying a token. The obverse has the Republic of Mexico eagle with "Recuerdo Matrimonial" in a semicircle above. The reverse has a castle or public building with a courtyard or street visible. This side appears to be engraved. The token is non-magnetic, 19 mm. in dia., slightly reeded edge, and is either brass or gold plated aluminum. He will appreciate any information.

MIKE O'BRIEN has a love token on a counterfeit half dollar. Reverse says in script "KMC", the observe shows an 1858 seated liberty. It was given to him by an aunt who found it in circulation about 1910.

MAURICE GOULD, our nationally known syndicated newspaper columnist, was moderator for the Numismatic Symposium put on by the California State Numismatic Association March 31. His picture was in the Coin World April 14 issue several places.

JOHN ALBRIGHT has an 1893 Columbian half dollar. Reverse has "JK & ALB" in script with "JUST ROOM FOR TWO" in curved print at the bottom of the engraving.

Sincerely,

HELEN E. MOORE

WANT ADS FOR MAY 1973

WANTED - Any Love Token with "NI" or "NCI". Describe and price. John G. Kostriza, 21 Pine Knoll Rd., Lexington, Mass. 02173

WANTED - Scenes and articles on coins, also letters "S" "N" "L" "B" "SB" "NB" and "LB", names "SAM" "NAOMI" "LINDA". Sam H. Bettis, 805 Brynewood Park Lane, Chattanooga, Tenn. 37415

WANTED - Three initials cut out seated Liberty Dime Love Token. Joe Lowry, 1832 N. 77th Ave., Elmwood Park, Illinois 60635.

WANTED - Love Tokens on large cents, enameled coins, scenes, Buy or trade. Price and describe. Paul Carter, 10 Star Ave., Middleboro, Mass. 02346

WANTED - Describe and Price gold 5-10-20 and 3 dollar U.S. coins. John Albright, Gables Coin Shop, 2348 Ponce DeLeon Blvd., Coral Gables, Fla. 33134

WANTED - \$3 Gold Love Token, will trade or pay cash. Have \$1 gold and others. (Cash for common tokens) John Pace, Box 382, Garland, Tex. 75041

WANTED - Initials "A" "P" "K" "L" "J" - Names Pat, Joe, Arlene. Valenting or Christmas Love Tokens. Describe and price. Arlene Kaiser, 30 Cherry St., Lordship, Stratford, Conn. 06497

WANTED - Many different types of U.S. coins. Please write David Edwards, Box 3402, Omaha, Neb. 68103

WANTED - Silver dollar, Trade dollar, fifty cent piece or any denomination which is nicely enameled. Also any token with Bill, Barbara, or the initials WKB, WB, BR, BJR. William K. Bish, 2003 McClaskey Lane, Eureka, Calif. 95501

FOR SALE ADS MAY 1973

FOR SALE - Indian cents - Liberty nickels - Shield nickels, Buffalo nickels, Indian head altered 1913 Type 1 and Type 2 for your type set \$4.50 each. Paul Carter, 10 Star Ave., Middleboro, Mass. 02346

FOR SALE - Gold Love Token engraved "Mabel" on one side, Large "B" on other side. Loop at top. Smaller than dime in size, perhaps a foreign coin. Make me an offer. Hilde Evans, Box 417, Lafayette, Indiana 47902

FOR SALE - 15 coin bracelet with clasp \$60., with the following dime engravings: Mary, Lucy, Mother, Father, M.H, OGS, GIW, GGS, ML, MH, FEM, ALF, MAH, GGR, FL. Write David Edwards, Box 3402, Omaha, Neb. 68103



IMPORTANT - one of the goals of the Love Token Society is to build up for ANA a set of colored slides of multiple pieces: watch fobs, bracelets, necklaces, brooches, etc.

I had color slides taken of twelve of my multiple pieces at a camera shop. I bought there a roll of film which had twelve slides on it, and had him take the pictures with his camera because mine doesn't take anything larger than a silver dollar. He had them put in 2 x 2 mounts. The total cost was \$6.00. So now we have a start toward a set. It would be nice if we could show what we have at the ANA Love Token Society meeting!

You members who have collected for a number of years, have, I'm sure, some beautiful multiple pieces. Won't you have slides of them taken so others can enjoy them? Clubs can send in to ANA for the slides when we have them put together with a description. They make duplicate sets - I think they had six sets made from my original set which I donated to ANA.

I will take the responsibility of assembling them if you get them taken. Let's see what we can do! I checked our applications and the membership list. There are between 20 and 25 of you who are advanced collectors. All you need is twelve pieces. This is your chance to contribute to the hobby we all enjoy. How about it?

A red background is good for gold multiple pieces (I don't have any gold ones), so I had him use a blue background for the silver.

	Financial Report	
181.79 Bal. in April	Check #2	<u>L4</u>
13.00 Check #14	Xeroxing	.65
163.79 June Bal.	Cut stencils	3.00
	Envelopes	•55
	Postage	8.80
	Check #14	13.00

JOHN ALBRIGHT has a Mexican 8 reales piece with the bust side smoothed and engraved thus: "1786

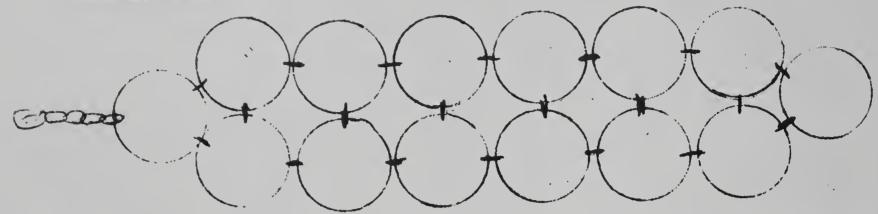
When this you see
Remember me
Tho maney a league
We distant be"
I.C."

There aren't too many love tokens with verses. Those that exist seem to be on foreign coins rather than U.S.

THELMA CARTER is secretary of the Marietta/Smyrna Coin Club. She won second place at the Macon Coin Show with her Love Token display

WHO has a L.T. on the oldest U.S. Coin? Paul Carter has one on an, 1795 large cent. Have you an older one?

BOB MITCHELL has a watch fob made with fourteen dimes.



HELEN MOORE also has a watch fob. It has a dime, V nickel, S. L. quarter, and Barber half. The dime has a gold "A" overlay; the nickel, a gold "L" overlay; and the quarter, a gold "M" overlay. The Barber half attached to the bottom, at one time had a pin on the back. It has no overlay, just initials.

D. ROY DILLON has designed a new membership card. The old one is crude, it was individually typed and cut by hand to save money. Does anyone else have a card design to offer?

PRES. HAROLD BEECHER was disappointed that most people abroad had "never heard of a Love Token, and even when I explained what they were they were hesitant and reluctant to accept them as having numismatic or historical value."

With the August Convention coming up - it might be well to list the names of our Love Token Society officers:

President - Mr. Harold Beecher Jr. Vice President - Mrs. Ruth Hammell Secretary-Treasurer - Miss Helen Moore

Ruthie has been appointed Chairman to make arrangements. She will be there for sure. Harold is going to try to get there for a day or two. Helen is staying in Florida because of her allergy, waiting for the 1974 meeting in Miami.

Our ANA club number is 72724.

Who is planning on attending the Convention?

Sincerely,

Helen E. Moore Secretary

GOOD NEWS - Ruthie Hammell has arranged for a meeting place at the ANA Convention in Boston. It will be at 4 P.M. Friday August 24. We are grateful to Ruthie for making the arrangements and for the program she has scheduled. If you are at the Convention, plan on attending this Love Token Society meeting.

BAD NEWS - We are going to lose our good friend and tireless worker, Bob Mitchell. He is being transferred to Ethopia for a two year hitch. His wife and two pre-school children will accompany him. We can never express enough thanks to Bob for all the Xeroxing he has done. We do not as yet have a "Love Token Book", but we have a good bit of printed material on the subject, thanks to the members, and of course, Bob! Good luck to you!

His temporary address (he has twenty days leave) is: 470 Senate Road, New Milford, N.J. 07646

as of August 4, it will be:

Robert G. Mitchell HM1/USN 138-34-0168 Navy Medical Research Detachment Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

APO NY 09319

	FINANCES	*
\$168.79 June Bal. 3.00 dues 171.79 17.72 Check #15 \$154.07 July Bal.	Check #15 Stencils Stencils Stencils Mimeo paper Postage Cut stencils Correction fluid	6.44 2.18 2.86 4.56 1.00 .68 \$17.72

New Member:
Mrs. J. E. M. Wood - 59th paid-up member
101 Old Crossing Lane
Annapolis, Md. 21401

ONE person sent in an article for the contest proposed by Paul Carter. It was written by BOB MITCHELL. A copy of his article is enclosed.

RUTHIE HAMMEL won another trophy at the Maryland State Annual Convention held at Pikesville, Md., May 5-6. She received first prize, a silver bowl engraved with her name and date, for her Love Token exhibit.

BOB MITCHELL has a copper piece with this inscription -

"When this you see Think of me Until I get my liberty" 1825

The other side has "WF" with arrows, also "FF". He thinks this is the type called a "prisoners token."

His oldest love token is engraved:

"Mrs. Ann Morley Sept. 17, 1771

on a colonial or old English copper coin.

MICHAEL O'BRIEN has a counterfeit half dollar which was made into a love token. It has the initials "KMC" in script on the reverse of a 1858 counterfeit half. It was given to him by his aunt who was a bank teller. It was found about 1910.

HELEN MOORE acquired a seated liberty quarter with five names on it. In the center is a large five pointed star with "McC". Between each point, going clockwise, it is engraved "W. C. McCLAIN, AMANDA, MARTHA JANE, JAMES JOHN."

MARGERY HANNAH was recently installed as Secretary of the Virginia Peninsular Coin Club, Hampton, Va. She was also awarded a plaque for second place in exhibits.

Sincerely,

Helen Moore

<u>ADS</u>

WANTED - Beginning love token collector wants to buy your duplicates if reasonably priced. Write Mike O'Brien, 1160 Russell Drive, Aurora, Ill. 60506.

WANTED - Scenic tokens or any colonial piece tokens. Will buy or consider trades. Write Bob Mitchell, 470 Senate Road, New Milford, N.J. 07646.

WANTED - Initials "A", "P", "K", "L", "J", names Pat, Joe, Arlene, Valentine or Christmas Love Tokens. Write Arlene Kaiser, 30 Cherry St. Lordship, Stratford, Conn. 06497

WERE you disappointed when you looked at the July Numismatist? I thought the Love Token Society Meeting would be listed - BUT that was the preliminary program listing. I feel certain that the Friday August 24 Love Token Meeting at 4 P.M. will be listed in the August edition.

HAS anyone had any color slides made of their multiple pieces? I haven't heard from anyone. In fact no one writes ME. I would like to include in the Love Letter descriptions of your unusual pieces, your reactions to shows you attended, offices you hold in your Club, etc.

Financial Report

\$154.07 July Bal.	Check #16	
3.00 Dues	Xeroxing	.30
\$157.07	Cut stenoils	1.00
14.98 Check #16	Postage	13.18
\$142.09 Aug. Bal.	**	\$14.98

New Member:

McAfee, Lorraine (Mrs. T.R.) 124 E. Morse Blvd. Winter Park, Fla. 32789

. We now have sixty paid members.

BOB MITCHELL has an unusual piece - a lock made of two English three pence, one is dated 1874, the other it is impossible to see. It is not engraved.

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THE following is a quote from the Times-Herald, Newport News, Va., June 16, 1973:

"SWEET LOVE" - Woman's influence in a softer age carries more weight in one increasingly popular topical coin collection.

MARGE HANNAH, whose own collection of Love Tokens won a state award a few years ago at a Virginia Numismatic Convention, has found such specialty enscribed coins are skyrocketing in value.

About three years ago, Love Tokens were most commonly found in a dealer's junk box from ten to twenty-five cents. Today some of the better items sell for \$7.50 and even poor examples topping \$4.00.

Love Tokens are those coins (most commonly the seated liberty dime

but also including rare gold coinage) marked by a boyfriend's initials or other such messages. The belle of the ball at the turn of the contary might have a charm bracelet laden with such tokens from her edmirers.

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CYNDI WENDT our youngest member just graduated from High School in Minneapolis. She is interested in the Graphic Arts, specifically printing. (She printed her own graduation announcements.) Good luck to you, Cyndi!

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BILL CURRAN is procident of the recently formed coin dub in Holiday, Florida.

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FREE Wanted or For Sale Ads will be included in the September Love Letter. No forms are being sent because I get three returns out of sixty. However get your ad to me by August 20.

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MAURICE GOULD will be moderator at Philatelic-Numismatic meeting in Boston Saturday, August 28. A panel will be held at 10:30 A.M. and an Educational Program at 3 P.M.

Sincerely,

HELEN MOORE

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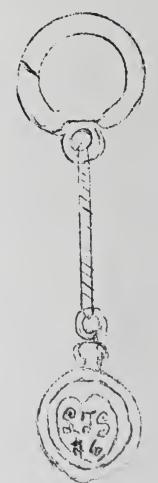
The Love Token Society officers have approved of a Love Token symbol for group use. It was designed and executed by one of our own members, Don Knapp. The reverse of a 1972 Lincoln cent has been engraved with a heart and initials L.T.S. and each cent will have on it the person's individual club membership number. The token is goldplated, and comes in a matching key ring. The coin mount section can be removed and the token can be worn on a bracelet.

Enclosed is a blank which you may use if you wish to order one. Allow three weeks for delivery.

_____Detach here_and_mail to_secretary._____

Love Token Society
Miss Helen Moore, Secretary
11755 101st St. N.
Largo, Fla. 33540

Enclosed is a check for \$3.00. I wish to order the club's Love Token complete with key chain.



Enclosed with this Love Letter is an index of all the Love Token materials which so far have been Xeroxed or mimeographed and sent to all members.

Also enclosed is Part I of a very good article which was in the 1972 MANA booklet. We wish to thank Gail Levine for sending it to us.

I wish to thank the members who did write me. How about sending me a description of what you consider your #1 piece?

Financial Statement \$142.09 Aug. Bal. 3.00 Dues Check #17: 145.09 Postage 5.64 11.86 Check #17 Cut Stencils 1.00 \$133.23 Sept. Bal. Mimeo paper 2.86 Xeroxing .70 Stamps

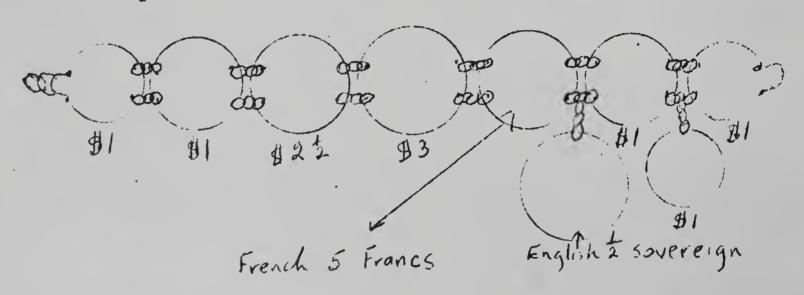
New Member:

Sarah Appling (Mrs. Joe H.) 1135 Burton Ave. Macon, Georgia 31204

This makes 61 paid members.

THELMA CARTER, who is secretary of the Marietta-Smyrna Club, exhibited her Love Tokens at the Birmingham Ala. Show and won a superior award - one of seven. She found a quarter with the name "Carter" on it. How about that! Her newest "love token" is a grandson who arrived the same day as the show.

CARMEN STOVER has recently acquired a bracelet made of nine gold pieces. One piece is engraved "Ma" on one side and "Pa" on the other. But the other pieces have initials. The gold pieces are \$1, \$1, \$2\frac{1}{2}, \$3, French 5 Francs, \$1, \$1. English \frac{1}{2} sovereign. There are three links on each side - joining the pieces together. The chain at each end looks like hooks of interlocking. Truly a beautiful piece - executed for a well to do person.



So far fifteen orders for keychains have been filled. Don Knapp is very quick in doing the engraving so that those members already have their individual token.

Did you see the write-up in Coin World September 19, 1973 page 93? Later we will try to have a write-up about the Club Love Token.

We don't have too many ads, so I think we can list ads with every bulletin. This time we have two.

A history of the Love Token Society is also enclosed.

Financial Report			
\$133.23 Sept. Bal.	Check #18 - Don Knapp		\$16.00
15.00 Dues	Check #19 - Don Knapp		14,00
45.00 Orders for Club Tokens	Postage,	12.34	
\$193.23	Envelopes	1.00	
71.47 Checks #18-19-20	Mimeo Paper	5.73	
\$121.76	Cut stencils	2.00	
	Stamps	3.90	
	Xeroxing	3.80	
	Labels	.20	
	Type manuscript	5.00	
	Keyrings	7.50	
	Check #20		341.47
	Total Expenses		\$71.47

Five New Members:

Marjorie Baker Tom Ryans Inc. Yorktown Shopping Center Lombard, Ill. 60148

Richard Hartzog P.O.Box 4143 Rockford, Ill. 61110 Gladys O'Hara P.O.Box 543 Schenectady, N.Y. 12301

Jean Fredericks 5382 Bear Road North Syracuse, N.Y. 13212

Mrs. Kenneth Hammond (Patricia) 22 Scotch Pine Drive Voorheesville, New York 12186

66 Paid Members.

MARGERY HANNAH and her husband are in the printing business. Frank has designed and printed a book for Dr. and Mrs. V. Clain Stefanelli, who are the curators of the numismatic division of the Smithsonian Institute. They were invited to the special reception for the International Numismatic Congress.

HELEN MOORE, reporting on the St. Petersburg Coin show September 7-8-9, observed a sell-out on bourse tables and numerous cases of exhibit material. From one of the dealers she bought a gold bar pin with 3 - \$1. gold love tokens hanging from it. The first token says "July 21", the second "BME" in script, and the third "1884" - type 3 dollars. This will balance with her silver bar pin with five dime love tokens hanging from it.

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PAUL CARTER has sent in a report on our L.T.S. meeting in Boston. One place he says "Ruthie, you are Mrs. Love Token." I think we can go a step farther and say "Paul Carter is "MR." Love Token!"

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ADS

FOR SALE - Three Love Tokens on Indian Head \$1.00 gold coins. Two are Type 2 \$1.00 gold, the other is Type 3 gold coin. All are connected by a small chain and are in mint condition. One has initials "ML", one has initials "RE", the other has the initials "RL", all in old English. Have to see these to appreciate. \$150.00 for the three. Return privilege if not happy with them. Roger J. Sullivan, 3161 Hawthorne St., San Diego, Calif. 92104

FOR SALE - (as a lot) - Five Tokens for \$42. as follows: A token on a token - a watch opener, souvenir of 1893 Expo made by Keystone Watch Case Co. The side that had the "World" on it has been removed and engraved on it is a scene with a three masted schooner with acanthus leaves as a border (could be unique); an 1870 Indian cent engraved "D" above "DLL" in script; an 1892 Indian cent engraved "JO" interwoven; an 1884 S.L. dime with "JRB" in block, letters on top of each other; and an 1888 S.L. dime with "FEM" in basket weave. Rich Hartzog, P.O. Box 4143, Rockford, Ill. 61110

Sincerely,

HELEN MOORE Secretary

Financial Statement

\$121.76 Oct. Bal. 18.00 Key rings 9.00 Dues \$148.76	Check #21 - D.E.K. Check #22 - D.E.K. Check #23 - D.E.K.	4 00	6.00 4.00 2.00
40.54 Checks 21, 22, 23, 24	Cut Stencils	4.00	
\$108.22 Nov. Bal.	Xeroxing	2.70	
TOO. 22 NOV. Dal.	Postage	10.40	
	Stationery	4.00	
	Stamps	1.92	
	Mimeo paper	2.86	
	Postage	2.66	
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	Total		40.54

New Members
Stuart Miller
Box 68
Rapid City, Mich. 49676

Fred J. Rumplik 5337 Dolloff Road Cleveland, Ohio 44127

Mrs. Edward M. Kaplan (Trosi) 89 Elder Road Needham Heights, Mass. 02194

69 Members.

So far twenty members have ordered the Love Token key chains. Did you notice Don Knapp has his initials on the obverse (D.E.K.)? If you don't want to use it as a keychain, you could buy a tie tack and fasten it to your coat lapel. I do that with a dime I have that has "Helen" on it. Don is not out to make "fakes", he usually makes "Presentation pieces."

I am sending an article on the keychain with a picture to Coin World - it will probably be six weeks to two months before it appears.

Our president <u>HAROLD S. BEECHER JR.</u> has been appointed an Administrator for the Young Numismatist Correspondence Course by ANA under the direction of Kenneth Hallenbeck.

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BILL BISH sent me some photographs of some of his favorite Love Tokens. One is a perfect pair of earrings on dimes engraved "R". Another is an 1895 nickel made into a looped locket. When it is opened there are three initials in script (LJD). The third piece is on an 1879 half dollar which was once looped. "Presented to GRACE MURRAY for Excellent Scholarship Avarage 98%." The engraver was not an excellent scholar in spelling.

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I have asked Bill to send his photos with a description to Coin World for the annual Clearinghouse Valentine Love Token page. It is not too early to do this. And thank you Bill for sharing these with us.

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Sincerely,

Helen Moore

ADS

WANTED - Will Buy or Trade for the following for my collection

Half cents - Braided Hair Type 1840 - 57

Cents - Turban Head Type 1808 - 14

Coronet Type - 1816 - 39

Braided Hair Type 1840 - 57

Flying Eagle - 1856 - 58

Copper Nickel - 1859 - 64

Three Cents

Silver - 1851 - 73

Nickel - 1865 - 89

Write: Harold Beecher, 106 S. Valley Road, Paoli, Pa. 19301

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WANTED - Love Token for my daughter with name "Valerie", or initials "VB" or "VE" or "V". Describe and price - Bill Bish, 2003 McClaskey Lane, Eureka, Calif. 95501

FOR SALE - Pair of earrings for pierced ears, "ALE" in script on 1856 half dimes, silver wire fasteners on back, four leafed designs around edge.

Perfect condition. Best bid over \$20. minimum, by November 20. Write Helen Moore, 11755 101st St. North, Largo, Fla. 33540

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December 1973

Financial Account

\$108.22 Nov. Bal. 3.00 Dues 14.50 Keychains \$125.72	Check #25 D.E.K. Check #26 D.E.K. Check #27 ANA dues		4.00 4.00 12.00 20.00
41.04 Checks #25,26,27,28 \$ 84.68 Dec. Bal.	Key rings Mimeo paper Postage Cut stencils Stamps Xeroxing Postage Check #28 Total	5.50 2.86 5.36 1.00 1.12 2.60 2.60	\$2304 \$41.04

New Member

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Mrs. Everett Macomber 1 Rose Point Ave. West Wareham, Mass. 02576

We now have 70 paid members.

MRS. J.E.M. WOOD and her husband from Annapolis, Md. were on a caravan tour. She called me from Lakeland, Fla. saying she had her collection with her would I be home? The next day they drove one hundred miles here to Largo - where in her words, we "had a ball." I enjoyed looking at her pieces - one was unique - a quarter with a $\frac{1}{2}$ " square shaped piece cutout of the center, engraved on both sides with different initials and then hung with a ring back in the center of quarter, which was embellished on both sides. It was a fascinating piece.

Libby in turn admired my multiple pieces and type collection which I had time to get from the bank. It was a delightful two hours for us. Many of her pieces were on foreign coins. I particularly recall a Russian piece.

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COIN WORLD ran the picture of the Love Token Society keychain and an article with it. It was in the November 16th issue. There were a few mistakes in the write-up but I have had several inquiries because of the publicity. Through it we may get some more members.

ENCLOSED are the last two pages of the MANA article.

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TO date twenty-six keychains have been ordered. It's a conversation piece.

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I sent the \$12.00 check for our ANA dues. Our club number is C-072724.

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RUTH HAMMELL, our busy vice-president has sent us some material which we will try to mimeograph in the near future. There was a picture and write-up of her in the November Numismatist.

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FLORIDA State Convention and Show is January 10,11,12,13, 1974 at Clearwater at the Ft. Harrison Hotel. Please, if any members are coming let me know! Largo is only five miles away. My phone number is 391-5435

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BILL CURRAN acquired a silver dollar with "Willie" engraved on it. Pretty lucky!

Sincerely,

HELEN MOORE

ADS

WANTED for my collection. Will buy or trade.

Five cent silver

1. Liberty cap half dimes 1829-37

2. Liberty seated 1883-99

Dimes

1 Liberty cap 1809-37

Twenty-cent piece 1875-78

Write Harold Beecher, Jr., 106 South Valley Rd., Paoli, Pa. 19301

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FOR SALE - Love Tokens and counter-stamped coins. Specify denomination and category desired. For prompt reply, enclose self-addressed stamped envelope. Ronald Haims, 190 Mohawk Drive, West Hartford, Conn. 06117

FOR SALE - 1880 gold \$5, liberty-device on reverse polished off with "Mother" in old English. Obverse is made to either pin as a brooch, or wear from a small neck chain. AU condition. Highest bid over \$75 minimum by September 15.

Also 1843 gold \$2½ liberty-device polished off and "Grandma" engraved on reverse with an engraved rim. Condition VF/XF. Highest bid over \$75 minimum by September 15. Robert A. Hiett, Maple City Coin, P.O.Box 38, Monmouth, Ill. 61462

Sincerely,

Helen E. Moore Secretary

